

Remarks

This submission accompanies payment of the issue and publication fees for this Patent Application, which must be paid by February 10, 2011.

A "Notice of Allowability" issued in this matter on November 10, 2010, together with the "Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due" issued for this Patent Application, includes an "Examiner's Amendment" and an Examiner's "statement of reasons for allowance".

As the Examiner correctly notes, the Examiner's Amendment was authorized during a telephone interview with the undersigned. However, to ensure an accurate record, it is noted that authorization for the Examiner's Amendment was given during a telephone interview with the undersigned which took place on October 27, 2010, and not on November 1, 2010.

It has further been noted that some minor grammatical changes have been entered in claim 13 which were not discussed, and which could potentially introduce grammatically inconsistent language into the claims. Amendment of these grammatical changes is being requested, including deletion of the hyphen between the word "breaking" and the word "down", which is presented at line 7 and at line 13 of amended claim 13, and movement of the word "and" from the beginning of the last element of amended claim 13 to the end of the next to the last element of amended claim 13, to correspond to language earlier presented at line 10 of claim


13. No other amendments are being requested, and the remaining claims are reproduced only for purposes of complying with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.121.

It is respectfully submitted that such amendments "embody merely the correction of... formal matters in a claim without changing the scope thereof..." and could not have been presented earlier because such matters were only noted following receipt of the Examiner's Amendment included with the Notice of Allowability issued on November 10, 2010, and that entry of the formal amendments being requested will "require no additional search or examination" and will "require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office". Accordingly, it is respectfully submitted that the amendments being requested are appropriately entered by the Examiner, noting Section 714.16 and Part II of Section 714.16(d) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure, and corresponding action is respectfully requested.

It is further noted that the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance states that Choi et al., in the article entitled "Design and Evaluation of a Laser-Cutting Robot for Laminated, Solid Freeform Fabrication", discloses "breaking down the mechanical part into a plurality of elementary chambers as part of the break-down of the mechanical part and during the break-down of the mechanical part; producing elementary chambers in the manufactured strata during the manufacture of the manufactured strata...." Applicants respectfully disagree that such disclosure is found in Choi et al.

Moreover, and to the extent that the statement of reasons for allowance may include language which differs from the language which is recited in applicants' claims, read as a whole, applicants respectfully traverse the stated reasons for allowance, as presented.

Respectfully submitted,


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